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## TRANSPORTATION ON OREGON FARMS AIDED BY GROUPS

Organization of county farm transportation committees has been completed throughout the state as another step in the program to make certain that Oregon agriculture continues to give maximum support to the nation's war effort, says William L. Teutsch, assistant director of the extension service at O. S. C.

Farm transportation and farm labor are recognized as two of the major obstacles to maximum farm production in Oregon, said Teutsch. The farm transportation committees will deal on a local basis with this acute problem, just as county farm labor committees are already dealing with the labor problems, he said. The Oregon State grange took organized action on the transportation problem early last spring and sponsored six district transportation conferences in April, in which representatives of the interstate commerce commission and the college extension service participated. The present committees are an outgrowth of these conferences and result directly from action of the Oregon USDA war board.

Leading citizens in each county have been chosen to serve on the committees, while county agents usually serve as secretaries of the committees and as county farm transportation representatives on the state highway advisory committees appointed by Governor Sprague at the request of John B. Eastman, national director of the ODT. This arrangement serves to coordinate, so far as rural communities are concerned, the committees working on transportation in each county.

While normally 600,000 trucks are produced and used annually for replacing old trucks, only 130,000 new trucks remained in the national pool at the end of May for distribution in the entire country. Farmers own nearly one-third of the five million trucks in the United States.

The county committees are charged with keeping in close touch with transportation problems in their own areas, advising the proper agencies of such problems, assisting in developing cooperative transportation programs, and initiating a general movement among farm people for conservation of trucks, automobiles, and tires.

### NEIGHBORS ASSIST

Fourteen neighbors and friends called at the Sam Turner farm in Sand Hollow Sunday and assisted in putting up Mr. Turner's hay crop. Mr. Turner being prevented by illness from doing the work.

## Less Hay, More Feed Grain for State, 1942

Less hay but somewhat more feed grain will be produced in Oregon in 1942 than in 1941, according to crop prospects information summarized in a report on the agricultural situation just released by the O. S. C. extension service. The hay and feed grain production outlook in the three Pacific northwest states combined is similar to that of Oregon, but in the country as a whole a larger hay crop is expected than last year. Feed grain production may be slightly larger if the corn crop holds up in condition as good as early in July.

With reserve stocks of hay nearly cleaned up in Oregon, a smaller crop of hay than last year and more animals on hand, hay prices have advanced materially in some localities compared with a year ago. Reserve stocks of feed grains have been reduced, also, but there is an abundance of wheat, some of which will be used for feed. The supply of high protein feeds in the country as a whole is expected to be larger than last year.

In some localities in Oregon the hay and feed situation is more favorable than the average, but seasonal conditions and the farm labor shortage have made it difficult for hay producers to put up as much hay as last year.

During June this year the United States index of farm wage rates advanced from 183 per cent of the 1910-1914 level to 202, the highest in 22 years. The advance brought the index up to a level 26 per cent over July 1941 in the whole country, but in Oregon farm wage rates are nearly 50 per cent higher than a year ago.

The demand for farm labor is the highest since 1920 and the supply of farm labor is the smallest on record. Washington is the only other state in which farm wage rates have advanced as much as in Oregon.

Ordinarily, July is the month of greatest farm labor demands in Oregon, but there is much farm work yet to be done in August, September, and later.

Copies of the complete report may be had through any county extension office.

## Week of the War

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gasoline on a "coupon credit" basis until midnight July 31.

The OPA increased tire and tube quotas for August and said 90,000 bicycles will be made available for rationing in August as compared with 45,000 in July. The office said only trucks engaged in services essential to the war effort or public health and safety will be entitled to recapped or new tires after July 28 under a drastic revision of the tire rationing regulations. The OPA published names and addresses of field representatives who may be called upon by tire dealers, recappers, truck operators and other users of tires for aid in solving problems arising under the rationing regulations.

### Maximum Prices and Rents

Price Administrator Henderson reported "Government controls of prices and rents, where they are in effect, are doing a good job of holding down prices, but uncontrolled food prices are showing a definite inflationary tendency." He said "the total cost of food to city families advanced 1.3 percent between May 15 and June 15, continuing the steady upward price trend of the previous four months and offsetting the benefits of price control on all foodstuffs covered by the general regulation.

Mr. Henderson said housewives and other members of the buying public will acquire the legal right, beginning July 31, to bring civil suits for damages against any storekeeper who charges more than OPA regulations permit. The purchaser is entitled to recover \$50 in damages plus attorney's fees or triple the amount of the overcharge plus attorney's fees, whichever is larger. Similar suits may be filed in defense rental areas against landlords who collect rents above those permitted by OPA orders. The office reported it has designated 370 areas as defense rental areas and by August 1 rent regulations will become effective in 94 of these areas.

Agriculture Secretary Wickard announced a price adjustment and subsidy program designed to ease the temporary shortage of meats in Eastern state and some parts of the mid-west. The OPA asked livestock and meat packing industries to maintain a supply of meats in all normal trade channels rather than concentrate shipments to large cities where ceiling prices are relatively high.

### The War Front

The Navy reported U. S. submarines in Far Eastern waters have sunk another Japanese destroyer, a medium-sized tanker, three cargo ships, and possibly a fourth cargo ship. The Navy said all of its large submarines are being fitted with cameras designed to fit over the eyepiece of the periscope to record the results of submarine attacks on the enemy. Maj. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, commander of the Air Forces in the Middle East, said American Air Forces caused heavy damage to enemy docks and port installations at Tobruk, Benghazi, Suda Bay and Crete.

President Roosevelt said Admiral William D. Leahy, former U. S. Ambassador to Vichy France, has been called back to active duty to serve as chief of staff to him as commander in chief of the armed forces. Gen. MacArthur reported from Australia

that the new 2,500-man Japanese invasion force landed in the Buna-Ambasi-Gona area in New Guinea on July 22 has been subjected to such damaging raids that few, if any, Japanese ships are left in the vicinity of the invasion. The Navy announced 17 more United Nations merchant vessels have been lost to enemy submarines.

### Army

The nine Army Corps areas were reorganized and renamed "Service Commands." The reorganization will further decentralize the operation of services of supply activity and eliminate duplicating facilities. War Secretary Stimson said 28,000 jaundice cases developed among Army personnel in the U. S. and abroad between January 1 and July 4, apparently due to the use of yellow fever vaccine. Sixty-two deaths resulted. "There has been a change in the form of yellow fever vaccine now used which the Surgeon General thinks will eliminate the whole trouble," Mr. Stimson said. Director Hobby of the Womens Army Auxiliary corps said 20 companies of 150 women each will be trained by the end of this year and 25,000 women will be trained by April 1943.

### Taxation and Profits

The House passed and sent to the Senate the War Revenue bill, estimated to yield about \$6,300 million, providing a 45 percent normal and surtax income rate on corporations and a 90 percent excess profits tax. Treasury Secretary Morgenthau however, said a tax program of less than \$8,700 million of additional revenue would be inadequate. He recommended removal of these "special privileges": tax exemption for state and municipal securities, exemption from taxation of 27 1/2 percent of income from oil wells and mines, and separate income tax returns by married couples.

The House Naval Affairs committee, after investigating 40,000 contracts, said "95 percent of the war contractors are doing an honest and effective job and receiving only fair and reasonable profits," the average being 8 percent.

President Roosevelt reported the recent scrap rubber collection drive added 454,000 tons to the Government's stockpile—exclusive of rubber in small piles still at service stations and junk dealers. WPB Chairman Nelson asked state and local governments to lend their trucks and workers to local salvage committees to help transport scrap material collections before winter sets in. To keep steel furnaces going at full capacity, more than 750,000 freight cars will be required to carry scrap iron and steel, most of which must be moved by trucks to rail points.

The WPB extended the tin can salvage program to 104 cities in addition to 36 metropolitan areas previously announced, because detinning plant capacity requirements have been increased from 250,000 to 400,000 tons. The board said the government will requisition from junk dealers all useless automobiles—those that cannot be repaired on a practical basis—to maintain the present peak movement of automobile scrap to mills. On the basis of a questionnaire to 350 firms, the board estimated 100 million pounds of essential chemicals could be realized in the next 18 months if manufacturers of war equipment began now to recover wasted spray paints.

## The Red Peril

In another column comes a plea from Oregon's forest and wheatland protective agency, Keep Oregon Green, for everyone to enlist as a committee of one to do everything within his power to prevent occurrence of fires and to aid in subduing any fires that he can reach.

This is no idle patter. Forests and grain fields are now in an incendiary stage, and a conflagration might start at any time that would do unmeasurable damage to vital materials needed in the war effort. The grain and timber must be protected at all costs, and should a fire emergency occur, everyone who can be of assistance must leave tasks of the moment and give aid.

State and national forest crews, as well as logging crews, are primed for any emergency and are ready to take the lead should the "red peril" show its jagged teeth of flames, but in case of a large fire these forces must be quickly augmented.

Farm folk have also been geared for fire emergency in the wheat lands, but at any moment there may occur an emergency when more help is needed than that immediately available. In such event all who can assist must readily go.

## Better That Way

In Germany or Japan, eight foreigners who invaded the country unwelcomely with intent of sabotage would no doubt immediately be lined up before a firing squad. And probably that's the notion most of us have about what should be done to the eight men, similarly apprehended here, who are now standing trial in Washington.

It may seem peculiar that such men could have recourse to the country's highest tribunal to appeal for trial in the civil courts rather than face a military judgment. That, however, is what has happened and the United States supreme court has the appeal under consideration.

No matter how we feel about so much delay in executing justice upon these individuals encouraging further desperate attempts at this nation's security, we must admit that this is probably the only country in the world where such an occurrence could take place.

Those now facing judgment might well consider the comparison of how they are being treated in the country they sought to desroy with how they would have been treated had they been captive similarly in the country they were serving. Time for a little remorse might not be amiss.

### PVT. WARFIELD PROMOTED

Pvt. Robert W. Warfield, son of Jesse Warfield, of Ione, has been promoted to the rank of corporal in the Army Air forces, and is stationed at Hill Field, Ogden, Utah. Corporal Warfield enlisted in September, 1941, and was sent to Fort George Wright, Spokane, Wash. He was formerly employed at the Nelson Brothers ranch, near Lexington.

### MORROW BOY IN IRELAND

Mrs. Frank Turner has received a letter from Henry Rauch, Jr., who was a student under her in the Lexington school, that he is now "someplace in Ireland" and likes it fine. Army life is great, he said, but he would like to be back in Morrow county.

# STAR Reporter

## FRIDAY-SATURDAY

### Home In Wyoming

Singing by Gene Autry, comedy by Smiley Burnette, and a trend of mystery in this latest outdoor, action thriller.

—Plus—

### Tough As They Come

Dead End Kids, Paul Kelly, Helen Parrish  
Exciting drama with a kid from the slums.

## SUNDAY-MONDAY

### The Fleet's In

Dorothy Lamour, William Holden, Eddie Bracken, Jimmy Dorsey and his Orchestra

Gobs of gals . . . Oceans of fun . . . Shiploads of stars . . . Join the fun!

Superman Cartoon

## TUESDAY

Bargain Night  
Adults 25c Children 10c

### Castle in the Desert

A mystery so strange . . . so baffling it even has Charlie Chan (Sidney Toler) guessing!

## WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY

### Roxie Hart

Ginger Rogers, Adolphe Menjou, George Montgomery, Lynne Overman, Nigel Bruce

She was a girl who could do no wrong . . . but how she tried!

Disney Cartoon in Technicolor  
Information Please

## A LUNCHEON PLATE

**That Hits the Spot**

Our special hot weather plate is tempting to look at — rousing to appetite! Full-flavored cold meats, extra-good potato salad— it's a feast! Try it today. Also a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, including good old-fashioned strawberry shortcake!

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